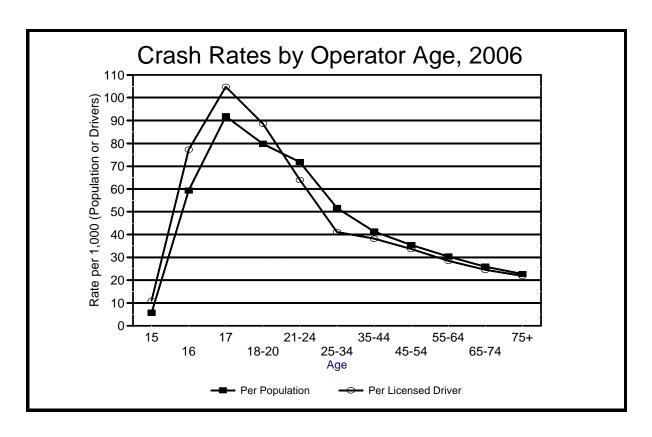## TABLE 4.2: CRASH RATES BY OPERATOR AGE, 2006

Age Group	Population	Licensed Drivers	Crash Operators	Rate* per Population	Rate** per Licenses	Risk Ratio***
15	8,938	4,637	51	5.7	11.0	0.28
16	9,116	7,004	541	59.3	77.2	1.97
17	9,143	8,014	840	91.9	104.8	2.67
18-20	28,826	25,951	2,300	79.8	88.6	2.26
21-24	33,422	37,509	2,399	71.8	64.0	1.63
25-34	71,514	89,890	3,693	51.6	41.1	1.05
35-44	90,496	97,853	3,739	41.3	38.2	0.97
45-54	104,339	109,888	3,697	35.4	33.6	0.86
55-64	79,182	84,494	2,403	30.3	28.4	0.72
65-74	42,566	44,991	1,102	25.9	24.5	0.62
75+	40,403	41,940	918	22.7	21.9	0.56
TOTAL	517,945	552,171	21,683	41.9	39.3	1.00

*Rate per 1,000 population.
**Rate per 1,000 licensed drivers.
***The risk ratio is calculated as the percent of crash operators in each age category, relative
to the percent of all licensed drivers in the age category. A ratio of 1.0 is the expected risk ratio.

Younger drivers have significantly higher crash rates than older drivers, with the highest crash rates found among 16-24 year olds. Drivers under age 35 are disproportionately involved in crashes. Crash rates per 1,000 licenses steadily decline with age and are lowest for older drivers, with the exception of 15 year old drivers.

Crash Rates by Operator Age, 2006